

VAN NESS

IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

OCTOBER 2016

Upcoming Milestones

Construction of the Van Ness Improvement Project is underway.

The first work is preparing the roadway for construction and includes traffic changes and median demolition.

Traffic changes will begin Friday, November 11 when the permissive left/southbound lane at Broadway will be converted to a second dedicated left turn.

Following the addition of a second dedicated left turn at Broadway, most of the other left turns from Van Ness will be eliminated. Left turns will only be permitted southbound at Broadway and northbound at Lombard and Hayes streets. The left turn northbound at Hayes will be phased out in Spring 2017.

Once the left turns have been removed, the Van Ness Avenue roadway will be reduced from three to two lanes in each direction for work in the median. Those who travel in and through the area are advised to take alternate routes and plan for delays. This lane reduction will start at Van Ness Avenue and Sutter. The lane reduction will expand north from Sutter towards Lombard and south towards Mission as this median work continues through January 2017.

During this initial phase of median work, 12 median trees will be protected and the median will be removed and temporarily paved. This construction preparation is expected to continue through the end of the year. Curb-side utility work will begin in early 2017.

Recent Milestones

- A resolution was passed September 20 by the Board of Supervisors urging the SFMTA to make all efforts to preserve the historic character of Van Ness through reuse or replication of the existing street lamps. Project staff is preparing a feasibility report that will include a budget, scope of work and timeline for the scope of work.



Upcoming Events

Meet the Expert:

Preparing the Roadway for Construction

November 2, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Van Ness Improvement Project

Field Office

180 Redwood Street, Ste 300

Why does Van Ness Avenue need to be prepared for construction? What does that mean and what will it look like? Join us at our new construction office for a conversation with Walsh Construction to learn more about the work that will carry us into the new year.

Meet the Expert is an informal talk series where presenters provide their expertise on a variety of Van Ness-related topics, from construction to Muni service to history. This is your chance to join the conversation, ask questions, or just listen. Each event is free to attend. Light refreshments will be provided by Walsh Construction.

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Recent Milestones (continued)

- Collaborations are ongoing with Construction Manager/General Contractor and the Polk Streetscape Project team to optimize planning and construction processes and methods.
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Recent Media

- **Video: “Van Ness Improvement Project”**

An introduction to the project and what the street will look like once construction is complete. www.sfmta.com/vanness

- **Video: “Keeping Van Ness Moving”**

An overview of what can be expected during construction. www.sfmta.com/vanness

- **Video: “Deconstructing Construction on Van Ness”**

A deeper dive into the details of how construction will progress over the next three years. www.sfmta.com/vanness

Upcoming Events (Continued)

Van Ness BRT Community Advisory Committee and Van Ness Business Advisory Committee Joint Meeting

November 17, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

One South Van Ness, 7th Floor
Union Square Conference Room



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